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CONFIRMATION NO. 8550

## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$900** for a Large Entity

- **\$770** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

August 6, 2004

Applicant(s) : Steve KNIPFEL  
For : AMBULANCE COT LOAD WHEEL ASSISTING DEVICE  
Serial No. : 10/805 679 Group: 3673  
Confirmation No.: 8550  
Filed : March 19, 2004 Examiner: Unknown  
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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is a response to the Patent Office communication mailed June 7, 2004, a copy of which is enclosed.

(Please see following pages.)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 6, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

  
David G. Boutell

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.52, 1.53 and/or 1.62, this application was filed without at least one of the filing fee, the English language text and/or the oath or declaration, and was granted the serial number and filing date set forth in the caption of this response. Accordingly, the items listed below are being submitted herewith:

☒ Copy of PTO communication mailed June 7, 2004.

☒ Declaration or Oath

☐ Attached to the Declaration or Oath is a copy of the specification which was filed in the Patent Office in order to obtain a filing date for this application.

☐ Verified English translation of originally-filed foreign language text.

☐ Preliminary Amendment Cancelling Claims (Please enter before calculating the filing fee.)

☐ Amendment Before First Office Action

☒ Information Disclosure Statement, with Form PTO-1449 and one copy of GB 2 192 595.

☐ Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Statement(s) re small entity is/are enclosed.

☒ Acknowledgment Postal Card

☐ Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on Application No. , filed .

☐ A certified copy of the priority application is enclosed.

☒ The filing fee is as follows:

☐ Design Application - ☐ \$340.00 (large entity)

☐ \$170.00 (small entity)

☒ Utility Application - as calculated below:

For	No. Filed	No. Extra	(X) LG Entity	RATE	( ) SM Entity	Fee
Basic Fee				\$770.00	\$385.00	\$770.00
Total Claims	(12 - 20 = 0)		x \$	18.00	x \$	9.00
Indep. Claims	( 1 - 3 = 0)		x \$	86.00	x \$	43.00
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* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$770.00

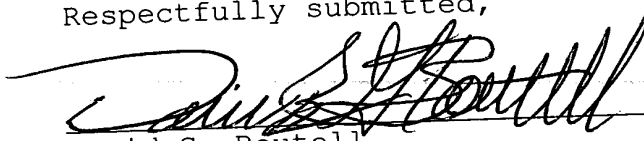
☒ The surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e) for late filing of the basic filing fee and/or the oath or declaration is as follows:

☒ \$130.00 (large entity)

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- [ ] The fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) for filing a foreign language text:
- [ ] was submitted previously.
- [ ] is \$130.00 and is included in an enclosed check.
- [X] A check for \$900.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- [ ] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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- [X] Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16
- [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17
- [ ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- [ ] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17
- [ ] Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

Respectfully submitted,

  
David G. Boutell

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